

**Board of Directors Meeting
June 25, 2007
Capital Rm 413, Pierre, SD
MINUTES**

Present: Rick Ostrander, Terry Dosch, Pam Kettering, Grace Mims, Jim Kinyon, Dave Johnson, Woody Schrenk, and Joyce Vos, Executive Secretary.

The meeting was called to order at 9:04am. M/S/P Ostrander/Kettering to move into Executive Session.

M/S/P Kinyon/Mims to conclude the Executive Session and move into General Session at 11:20am.

2. Krista Heeren-Graber, Executive Director for the SD Network Against Family Violence & Sexual Assault, and her grant writer came to speak about the subject that SD does not have standards for custody evaluations/home studies, or evaluators. She requested this board be the oversight board for certification or licensing of home custody evaluators after assisting with setting standards. Who is doing the evaluations now...social workers, LPC's, psychologists, and maybe a couple of unlicensed persons who are appointed by the courts. Ostrander suggested they specify the competency required for certification, then each respective licensing board could have jurisdiction over their licensee that has that certification, and which requires them to work within their competency level. Dosch suggested she speak with Duane Majeres with the Mental Health Coalition where there are representatives from each profession. It was mentioned that there are numerous resources available on the internet and that she should research whether there's already a national certification program or guidelines to followed.

M/S/P Mims/Kinyon to conclude the General Session and move into Executive Session at 12:10pm.

M/S/P Johnson/Kinyon to conclude the Executive Session and move into General Session at 1:00pm

M/S/P Mims/Ostrander to accept the stipulation as agreed upon by the counselor in Case #2006-01. There was a friendly amendment to add the condition that the signed document must be in the hands of the Ass't Attorney General, Steve Blair by this Friday, June 29 or the board moves forward with a contested case hearing. M/S/P Mims/Ostrander to approve the addition of the amendment.

M/S/P Ostrander/Kettering to invite the counselor in Case #2007-01 to visit with the board at their next scheduled meeting.

Schrenk was recused during the discussion of Cases #2006-01 and #2007-01.

Case #2007-02 was assigned to Dosch, and Case #2007-03 was assigned to Kinyon.

1. There were several items suggested as changes or corrections to the April 20, 2007 Board Minutes. M/S/P Johnson/Mims to approve the Minutes with the noted changes/corrections. It was also noted that according to Parliamentary procedures, the name of the board member opposing a motion should not be recorded unless the board member makes the request.
3. Licensee applicant Dianna Knox presented her request for an exception to the licensing requirements. M/S/P Dosch/Ostrander to defer action and further discussion until legal counsel could be involved. An expedient response was promised.
4. The board reviewed Staff's draft of the LPC by Exemption Application. One minor suggestion was made. The board thanked Staff for its development. It was agreed that Mims would review the applications like all others until she had a question to bring to the Board. It was noted that the application must be on file by January 1, 2008 in order for the non-licensee to practice. The board agreed that Staff should offer Angela Koenecke at KELO-TV the first rights to the press release about mandatory licensing. Johnson and Schrenk agreed should Koenecke request a personal interview for more information. It was suggested that Staff notify SDCA and SD-AAMFT about the mandatory law and that the application is posted on the board's website.
5. The board reviewed correspondence from Amy Hartman. They directed Staff to respond that direct client contact to meet the LPC-MH requirements is only when she is in direct contact with clients, not second-hand, testifying in court, or during her supervision with her staff.
6. M/S/P Kettering/Mims to accept the Missouri Plan of Supervision for Jeremy Pischke as equivalent to SD Plan of Supervision.
7. Schrenk reported that Margaret Hanson, Executive Director of the Medical Board contacted him shortly after receiving his letter concerning the prospect of legislation for genetic counselors. She was going to forward the letter to Dr. Heineman who is a VP at Sanford Health. Heineman then also contacted Schrenk and noted they had two genetic counselors on staff, and that the medical board agreed genetic counselors would fall under their purview. He said our board would have a chance to see the proposed legislation and that an exception would include our counselors. They hoped that DOH would take it on as their legislation because Sanford did not want to. Staff reported that neither NBCC or ACA have positions on this matter yet. It was noted that we've outlined our level of interest and hopefully we will be involved with their legislation or we can position ourselves during the process if we wish to oppose.
8. The subject of the new Independent Mental Health Practice license (LIMPH) in Nebraska was offered as informational.

Jim Carlon joined the board meeting at 2:40pm to discuss the request of Dianna Knox. Carlon explained that the board has no authority to waive statutes. There was a lengthy, thorough discussion. M/S/P Mims/Dosch to direct Knox to complete the application, provide documentation of at least 2,000 hours of supervised experience by a qualified supervisor, and pass the NCE. Mims will bring Knox's completed application to the board when received. The board has the discretion whether to accept Knox's past supervision from her earlier licensure.

August 3, 2007 at 9am was chosen for a Public Rules Hearing in Sioux Falls since the majority of board members able to attend are in that vicinity.

The next board meeting was scheduled for September 21, 2007 in Pierre.

It was noted that we needed to start thinking about our 2008 proposed legislation. Two items mentioned was the mandatory practice law for LMFT's and the board's name change to include marriage and family therapy.

M/S/P Johnson/Kettering to adjourn the meeting at 3:40pm

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce M. Vos
Executive Secretary